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For: MICROPOROUS STRETCH THINNED FILM/NONWOVEN LAMINATES AND LIMITED USE OR DISPOSABLE PRODUCT APPLICATIONS

**Information Disclosure Statement Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)
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Sir:

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Applicant also wishes to bring the following commonly-assigned pending patent applications to the attention of the Examiner:

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/646,978 filed August 22, 2003, by Ann Louise McCormack et al. for "MICROPOROUS BREATHABLE ELASTIC FILMS, METHODS OF MAKING SAME, AND LIMITED USE OR DISPOSABLE PRODUCT APPLICATIONS."

19078 PCT Patent Application No. PCT/US03/26247 filed August 22, 2003, by Robert James Gerndt et al. for "MULTIPLE IMPACT DEVICE AND METHOD FOR TREATING FLEXIBLE WEBS."

U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/335,244 filed December 31, 2002, by Prasad Potnis for "BREATHABLE, EXTENSIBLE FILMS MADE WITH TWO-COMPONENT SINGLE RESINS."

These applications are not listed on the accompanying PTO Form 1449; however, copies of these applications are provided herewith.

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The Examiner is requested to review each cited document and personally determine its prior art status.

Applicants recommend that the Examiner conduct an independent search for any and all available material prior art and independently review the results of such search and the documents cited within this Statement.

Applicants request the Examiner, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.97, to indicate and make of record receipt and review of all of these documents by initialing the appropriate box in the accompanying PTO-1449. Applicants request that the undersigned receive a copy of the initialed PTO-1449.

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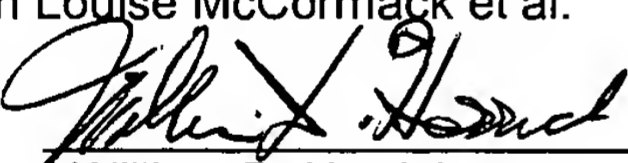
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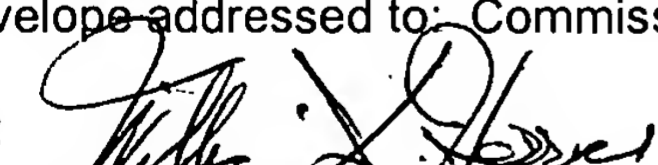
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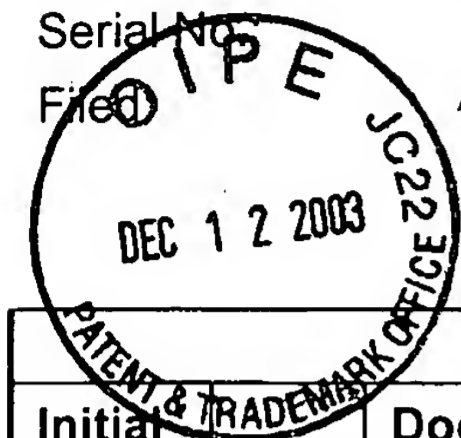


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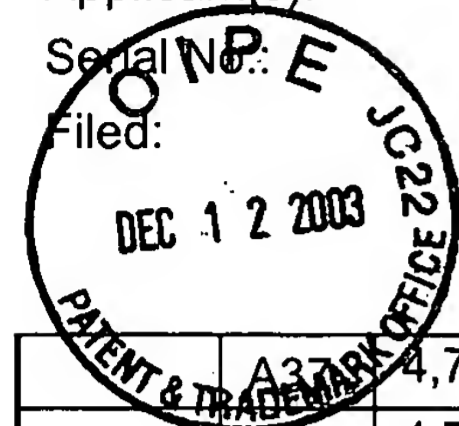
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